November 21, 2013

Annual Budget Hearing, Special Town Meeting, Special Town Board Meeting

The Annual Budget Hearing was called to order at 10::00 a.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2013 by Chairman Gaulke. Supervisors Ginger Schwanebeck and Bryan Hoover were present, as were Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards.

Others Present: Francis Chartier, Anna Marie Chartier, Tom Wegner, Teri Shaw, Pete Kolzow, Robert Smith, Eric Chapman, Jim Sommerfeldt and Brian Jopek of the Lakeland Times.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

The clerk read the minutes of the November 23, 2012 Annual Budget and Special Town meeting of the Electors. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Gaulke to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2012 Annual Budget Hearing and Special Town meeting of the electors. The motion was carried.

Chairman Gaulke presented the 2014 proposed budget. 2014 proposed budget showing revenue of \$1,166,440.00 with matching expenditures of \$1,166,440.00. The levy amount as \$727,228 with a mill rate of .80. Eric Chapman spoke to the board of the need for additional funding for boat patrol equipment such a buoys, cat control and park maintenance. After discussion, Mr. Gaulke instructed Mr. Chapman to get together figures of that is needed and the board can review at an upcoming meeting. At this time our budget is complete but there are areas in the budget where we might be able to help with some small items. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr.Hoover to close the budget hearing at 10:02 a.m. Motion carried.

Chairman Gaulke called the Special Town Meeting of the Electors to order at 10:03 a.m. immediately following the Annual Budget Hearing. Attendance for this meeting is the same as listed above for the budget hearing.

Motion by Tom Wegner, seconded by Teri Shaw to approve the town tax levy of \$727,228.00 pursuant to 60.10(1)(a), Wis. Stat. Motion carried.

Motion by Francis Chartier, seconded by Teri Shaw to authorize the Town Board to dispose of surplus goods and/or

property. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Sommerfeldt, seconded by Francis Chartier to authorize the Town Board to borrow money up to \$500,000 if necessary. Motion carried.

Motion by Teri Shaw, seconded by Anne Chartier to adjourn the Special Town Meeting of the Electors at 10:10 a.m. Motion carried.

Chairman Gaulke called the Special Town Board Meeting to order immediately following the Special Town Meeting of the Electors.

Attendance for this meeting is the same as listed above for the Annual Budget Hearing and Special Town Meeting of the Electors.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck, seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve the 2014 budget as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve vouchers 46335-46401of the General Fund. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck, seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2013 Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger reported on the financial status as follows. The unreconciled balance of the general fund as of 11/15/2013 \$713,262.25. The unreconciled balance of the ambulance fund as of 11/15/2013 as \$722,296.95.

New Plow Truck Purchase: The town received several quotes for the purchase of a new plow truck for the road crew. Pete Kolzow from the road crew was present for today's meeting and explained that the new quote was basically for the same truck we have purchased several times in the past. They have done a good job and are reliable. The purchase price of \$123,881.00 is the total of the truck fully equipped. Motion by Mr. Hoover, seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to go ahead with the purchase. Motion carried.

<u>New Ambulance Purchase:</u> Fire Chief Wegner reported that he has obtained a quote for 2 new ambulance vehicles and 2 Power Pro XT Cots. He has been putting this off for several years as he was not happy with the choices available. Pomasl has come out to the

station to demo the new units and Mr. Wegner was impressed. He would like to recommend that 2 new 2015 ambulance vehicles along with 2 new Power Pro XT cots be purchased. The cost of these items would come out of the ambulance fund . The quoted price was \$469,490.00. If these items are paid for at time of order an additional amount of approximately \$7500.00 would be returned to us upon delivery. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Hoover to go ahead with the order using the additional discount offered. Motion carried.

Airport Intergovernmental Agreement: The revised version of the Airport Intergovernmental Agreement was received for approval. This item is being tabled until the other towns involved have a chance to review with any corrections. This item will be placed on an upcoming agenda.

Broadband Survey: Mr. Sommerfeldt brought to the board a request to put in the upcoming tax letter a survey on broadband internet service in our area. He is asking that this survey be placed on the back of our tax letter with instruction on how to return it for review. The staff of Ogema Communications will compile the data. He is working with Joni Theobald from the tribe and also with Bryan Hoover. After discussion the board requested a copy of the questions for review before final approval. Mr. Gaulke called for a Special Town Board Meeting Monday November 25, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. The time was later changed and reposted to 10:00 a.m.

Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Hoover to adjourn at 10:50 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards Town Clerk